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TO AMEMBASSY MANILA

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FOR RCO/ATO

FOLLOWING REPEAT PHNOM PENH 2655 ACTION SECSTATE 22 FEB

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L PHNOM PENH 2655

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: ALTERNATE CHANCERY

REF: A. STATE 32600

B. PHNOM PENH 2158

1. GREATLY APPRECIATE FUNDING ASSISTANCE YOU ARE PREPARED TO GIVE US TO IMPROVE SECURITY OF OUR FACILITIES HERE. WE HAVE VERY MUCH IN MIND CONSIDERATIONS DESCRIBED REF A PARAGRAPHS ONE AND TWO, AS WELL AS VARIOUS OTHERS.

2. IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR SUGGESTIONS, WE ARE READY TO PROCEED WITH THE LONG-DELAYED CONSTRUCTION OF THE GENERATOR SHED (\$50,000). WE AGREE THAT THE ALTERNATE VAULT AREA, WHATEVER ITS ULTIMATE LOCATION, SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH A SAFE AND C&R COMMUNICATIONS GEAR (\$22,000). IN
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VIEW OF PROCUREMENT LEAD-TIME, WE WOULD DESIRE TO ORDER

THE C&R EQUIPMENT AND SAFE NOW. REQUEST FISCAL DATA
\$72,000. SEPTEL IN NEAR FUTURE WILL CONVEY COUNTRY
TEAM'S VIEWS RE ALTERNATE CHANCERY.

3. YOU MAY REST ASSURED THAT MEASURES WE TAKE TO
STRENGTHEN OUR SECURITY WILL BE AS AUSTERE AS POSSIBLE,
CONSISTENT WITH THE NEED TO KEEP THE MISSION IN BUSINESS

AND AFFORD REASONABLE PROTECTION TO OUR PERSONNEL.

4. FOR SECURITY AND OTHER REASONS, WE HAVE RECOMMENDED
THAT THE NEW AMBASSADOR RESIDE IN THE HOUSE NOW OCCUPIED
BY THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, AND HE PROPOSES TO DO SO. WITH
THE EXCEPTION OF MINOR WORK TO BE DONE BY GENERAL SERVICES
FOLLOWING THE CHARGE'S DEPARTURE, THAT RESIDENCE IS READY FOR
OCCUPANCY. WE DO NOT PRESENTLY ANTICIPATE THAT THERE WILL BE A
NEED FOR FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THESE PREPARATIONS. THE DCM
OCCUPIES THE FORMER AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE WHICH WAS THE
SUBJECT OF REF B.
ENDERS UNQUOTE RUSH

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